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DIVISION OF FORESTRY, FIRE AND STATE LANDS NAMES NEW SOUTHEAST AREA MANAGER

Utah State Forester Joel Frandsen today announced that Bill Zanotti has been selected as the area manager of the Moab Southeast Area office of the Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. Zanotti has been the acting manager since the retirement of Gary Cornell in December 2005.

"Zanotti first started with the division part-time in 1988 and since then has developed a solid grounding in forestry, wildland fire control and sovereign land issues," said Frandsen. "His professionalism and dedication to forestry will serve private landowners and the citizens of Utah well."

Since 1991, Zanotti served as the Stewardship/Area Forester for the division where he worked closely with private landowners to manage and protect their resources. He also administered the urban and community forestry programs working with cities and towns throughout Grand, San Juan, Carbon and Emery counties.

"It's my goal to continue to offer the highest standards of professional service," said Zanotti. "In addition to the important work we do with private forest landowners we are heavily involved in working with communities to help them protect themselves from wildland fire."

Zanotti graduated from Humboldt State University in California with a B.S. in Forest Resources Management. He also has continuing education credits in ecosystem management and advance silviculture from Northern Arizona University, Utah State University, and Colorado State University.

The Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands is part of the Utah Department of Natural Resources. It is responsible for managing all state-owned non-trust lands, state forestry, and fire control programs. To learn more about the division and its programs go to www.ffsl.utah.gov.

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